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Please amend paragraph No. 0001 as follows:

[0001] This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/080,371, filed February 15, 2002. ~~This invention is based on~~ and claims priority to Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2001-038202 and 2002-013828, filed February 15, 2001 and January 23, 2002, respectively, the entire contents of all of which are hereby expressly incorporated by reference.